
Infrastructure Operations Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure Operations Committee held in Audio Visual Meeting on Tuesday 26 May 2020 at 10.01am.

PRESENT

Chairperson
Deputy Chairperson
Members

Cr A O’Leary
Cr M Gallagher
Mayor P Southgate
Deputy Mayor G Taylor
Cr M Bunting
Cr Forsyth
Cr R Hamilton
Cr D Macpherson
Cr K Naidoo-Rauf
Cr R Pascoe
Cr S Thomson
Cr M van Oosten
Cr E Wilson
Maangai N Hill

In Attendance

Eeva-Liisa Wright – General Manager Infrastructure Operations
Chris Allen – General Manager Development
Blair Bowcott – Executive Director Special Projects
Robyn Denton – Network Operations and Use Leader
Rebecca Robinson – Communications and Engagement Advisor
James Clarke - Director Mayor’s Office
Jason Harrison – Unit Manager
Marie Porter – City Waters Manager
Kirsty Quickfall - Resource Recovery Advisor
Tania Hermann – Group Business Manager Infrastructure Operations

Governance Staff

Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
Rebecca Watson and Ian Loiterton – Governance Advisors

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Cr O’Leary/Cr Wilson)

That the apologies from Cr Forsyth and Cr Hamilton for early departure are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr O’Leary/Cr Bunting)

That the agenda is confirmed, noting the following:

- a) that the late item C2 (Watercare Request for Assistance Report) be accepted and taken following item C1 (Supply of Specialised Process Equipment and Maintenance Services for the water, Wastewater and Landfill Activities). This item is late due to the timing of information received by staff.

3. Declarations of Interest

No members of the Committee declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum

Asad Mohsin from the Waikato Muslim Association spoke to Item 8 (Access Hamilton - Transport Improvement Programme Update), regarding safety at the Mosque and the roundabout.

Joy Ho and Gerri Pomeroy spoke to Item 6 (Chairs Report - 26 May 2020) and responded to questions from Committee members including traffic safety audits and pedestrian crossings including at roundabouts.

Timothy Young from Smart Access spoke to Item 8 (Access Hamilton - Transport Improvement Programme Update) and responded to questions from Committee members including accessible toilets at transportation hubs and in the community more broadly, accessible public spaces and whether Smart Access will help identify accessibility priorities.

Anna Casey-Cox and Tania Ashman from Go Eco spoke to Item 8 (Access Hamilton - Transport Improvement Programme Update).

5. Confirmation of the Infrastructure Operations Open Minutes 16 April 2020

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr O’Leary)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Infrastructure Operations Committee meeting held on 16 April 2020 as a true and correct record.

6. Chair's Report - 26 May 2020

The Chair introduced the report, invited Cr Thomson to speak to the disability access section in the report and responded to questions from Committee Members including development of a master plan for disability access in Hamilton, budget for purchase of audit software, co-design consultation, potential for integration of Infrastructure Operations and Community Committee portfolios similar to the Aging Cities initiative, and extension of the CBD 2 hour free parking trial and its budget implications.

Resolved: (Cr O’Leary/Cr Thomson)

That the Infrastructure Operations Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the Central Business District 2 Hour Free Parking Trial Update report be deferred and delegated to the Central City and River Plan Advisory Group to provide a recommendation to Infrastructure Operations Committee by 30 June 2020.

The meeting adjourned 11.20am – 11.35am.

7. Recommendation from the Community Committee to the Infrastructure Operations Committee

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr Wilson)

That the Infrastructure Operations Committee approves the renting of **2447 River Road** property at market rates, and holds **2483 River Road**, until the future use of the entire former landfill site is determined; at which time this be reported back to the Infrastructure Operations Committee with a proposal for the future use of the two residential properties, including the option of selling all or one of the properties and taking into account the First Rights of Refusal considerations.

8. Access Hamilton - Transport Improvement Programme Update

The General Manager Development and the Network Operations and Use Leader spoke to the report and responded to questions from Committee Members including relationships with NZTA, Innovating Streets initiative funding opportunities and processes, potential Ward Street developments, Economic Stimulus Project Round One proposals, public consultation, tactical urbanism, measuring and communicating network improvements, school linkage demand, community engagement, and signage in school areas.

Staff action: *Staff undertook to provide a briefing to Elected Members regarding Eastern Pathways.*

Staff action: *Staff undertook to schedule Casey Avenue traffic signal works for late 2020/21, subject to providing greater clarity to Elected Members regarding potential negative traffic impacts on the broader network area.*

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/ Cr Macpherson)

That the Infrastructure Operations Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the proposed programme of Innovating Streets projects for the Round 1 application (as attached in this report) for completion in 2020/21 financial year utilising reassignment of local share funding of \$149,000 from the Transport Improvement Programme;
- c) approves the proposed design programme of Stimulus Package projects (as attached in this report) for 2020/21 financial year utilising reassignment of local share funding of \$1,350,000 from the Transport Improvement Programme;
- d) approves the proposed Low-Cost Low Risk (Discretionary Transport) programme (as attached in this report) and as budgeted for 2020/21 financial year;
- e) notes that funding the permanent physical works in Ward Street between Anglesea Street and Tristram Street (estimated valued \$4.5M) will be considered as part of the development of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan; and
- f) notes that consideration will be given to bringing forward the current funding in

2025/26 – 2027/28 of \$4.875M for installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Boundary Road and Heaphy Terrace as part of the development of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Cr Macpherson)

- g) approves the additional 3 projects for inclusion in the Stimulus Package projects for 2020/21 financial year utilising reassignment of local share funding of 170,000 from the Transport Improvement Programme;

Location	Scope of works for designs	Design stage	\$ (000)	Indicative total Project Cost
Norton Rd & London St roundabout (Founders)	Upgrade of the existing roundabout to provide safe and accessible infrastructure for people walking and biking.	concept	70	\$2M
Tristram St & Pembroke St Intersection	Installation of traffic signals to cater for increased number of people walking and biking. Poor safety record	concept	70	\$3M+
Ruakura Rd between Wairere Dr and Peachgrove Rd	Installation of dedicated cycle facilities to link to Ruakura Road upgrade (Wairere Rd to Knighton Rd) and provide safe CBD to University link	concept	30	\$2M
Total			170	

Deputy Mayor Taylor, Crs Forsyth and Pascoe dissenting.

The meeting adjourned 1.45pm - 2.31pm

9. General Managers Report

The report was taken in parts.

The General Manager Infrastructure Operations provided an update on the hui regarding recycling and staff responded to questions from Committee Members including plastic export permits, plastic recycling options, waste reduction and reuse strategies, and community communication regarding recycling services including rollout dates.

The General Manager Infrastructure Operations provided an update on the Innovation section of the report and responded to questions from Committee Members concerning cost and rollout dates for the soft launch of the Antenno App, staff capacity and timelines to respond to Antenno App reports, impact on Call Centre staffing levels, prioritisation of reported issues with planned/scheduled works, and potential to expand the App's purpose to other content areas.

The General Manager Development spoke to the report sections concerning the Rotokauri Transport Hub. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the proposed fully accessible toilet and utility building, business case for the proposed kiosk, commencement of the train service and user numbers, Waikato Regional Council rating, contract sums, and facilities at the proposed transport hub.

The General Manager Development provided spoke to the section concerning Te Awa Cycleway

remediation and Borman Road West, and responded to questions from Committee Members including pedestrian access in the Borman Road/Kay Road area.

Staff action: Staff undertook to:

- *raise Rotokauri Transport Hub rating issues with Waikato Regional Council*
- *consult with the Community Accessible group regarding the toilet design*
- *Investigate suitability of the toilet complex and/or connected buildings for nursing mothers*
- *Investigate potential temporary pedestrian access in the Borman Road/Kay Road area, through low cost/low risk discretionary funding*

Staff action: Staff undertook to confirm Antenno App response timelines.

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Thomson)

That the Infrastructure Operations Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) agrees to an addition to the scope of the Rotokauri Transport Hub project consisting of an additional fully accessible toilet and utility building at an expected cost of \$450,000, noting that this can be funded within the maximum local share contribution for the Transport Hub delegated to the Chief Executive at the Strategic Growth Committee meeting on 27 August 2019.

10. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr O’Leary/Cr Wilson)

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

The following motion is submitted for consideration:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely consideration of the public excluded agenda.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
C1. Supply of Specialised Process Equipment and Maintenance Services for the Water, Wastewater and Landfill Activities) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government) Official Information and) Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
C2. Watercare request for assistance Report)	

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting

in public, as follows:

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| Item C1. | to enable Council to carry out negotiations | Section 7 (2) (i) |
| Item C2. | to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage | Section 7 (2) (h) |

Cr Forsyth left the meeting at 4.21pm and was not present for the Public Excluded session.

The meeting went into a public excluded session at 4.21pm

The meeting was declared closed at 5.34pm.

Minute Note 24/12/2020:

On 24/12/2020 the following resolutions were determined to be released to the public via these minutes and the quarterly update.

Watercare request for assistance Report

Resolved:

That the Infrastructure Operations Committee:

- a) receives the verbal report;*
- b) receives the letter from the Chief Executive of Watercare to the Chief Executive of Hamilton City Council dated 13 May 2020;*
- c) requests staff engage with Waikato Tainui, Watercare and Waikato Regional Council to explore how Hamilton City Council could assist Watercare to achieve the outcomes sought in the letter of 13 May 2020;*
- d) requests staff proceed on the basis that any arrangement with Watercare must create no risk for Hamilton City water users;*
- e) requests staff back to the Infrastructure Operations Committee with a recommended arrangement (if any) to a future meeting noting that entering into any arrangement will require a recommendation to the Council;*
- f) request staff to work with Waikato Tainui and refer the request to the Joint Management Committee; and*
- g) notes that the decision and information in relation to this matter be released at the appropriate time, to be determined by the Chief Executive.*